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## The Axe

By Frances Randolph

THE Troubadours' performance, "Just a Kiss," went over big on both evenings, and literally walked away with the dramatic cup. At the end of the overture, we had a suspicion of the outcome, and after the first act, there was no doubt in anyone's mind as to the winner. That is, anyone's except Ed Moulton's and Maxine de Silvia's. Ed says sardonically that the show was "fair," and Maxine still believes that the number of Players who took part in "Just a Kiss" were what decided the balance in its favor.

THERE are few, even among the Troubadours' competitors, who were not enthusiastic in its praise. Occasionally we hear the faintly damning remark, "Well, you know, Ellsworth Tompkins is a professional and so is Ben Cain." Meaning, of course, that the competition was not on the same basis. If Tompkins or Cain had been in any of the other organizations, whatever experience they may have had would have been considered an asset, and certainly not as a disqualifying factor.

EVEN without Ellsworth Tompkins or Ben Cain, the cup would still have been in the hands of the Troubadours today. The book was clever, the songs might have come from the pen of a composer old in the game, and the artistic costuming of the chorus made some of the most charming pictures seen on any musical comedy stage this winter.

THE report of the judges on the various competing plays and playlets was interesting. "The Frogs" came in for the worst jolt when Professor Kayser read with much gusto the decision of the judges that it was an exemplification of the very thing that Aristophanes was satirizing. Looks like a slap in the face from daddy, Dorothy.

PROFESSOR CROISSANT has been generous with this commodity lately, and this gentle, unassuming column has come in for its share. Mr. Croissant has no use for us at all, it seems—anyway as far as dramatic criticisms are concerned. We were all wrong about "The Frogs" last week. The stage was not supposed to be beautiful or impressive, and "anybody who thinks Maxfield Parrish is art—" Oh, dear, dear, dear! Well, we still think the stage was impressive and credit should be given for the work involved. And whether or not Maxfield Parrish is art (whatever that may be), a thing which we did not venture to determine, to achieve his characteristic colorings is to achieve beauty, if not art.

WHAT seems to be the most sensible set of rushing rules yet made for sororities will go into effect next year. Rushing will be opened after Roll Call and will continue all semester with the exception of the month of January, when no open rushing will take place. Needless to say, this will be another cause of dissatisfaction and much mutual recriminations between our two deadly rivals. However, the big thing about this arrangement is the fact that there is to be a financial limit and a long rushing period, during which it is hoped that sorority girls and freshmen may come to know each other before bidding time.

THEY do say that the girls' tennis team is going to get a hundred dollars to finance their Virginia trip. This is a worthy activity, deserving of every possible aid the University can give it.

WE see that free love is indorsed and practiced in Moscow University. Considering the high cost of proms, taxis, and other necessary adjuncts to love in this country, we might reasonably expect a migration of students to Russia.

## TITLE IN LEAGUE B OF FRATS' SERIES GOES TO PHI SIGS

Will Play Winners in League A For Frat Championship Of University

CLOSE RACE IN LEAGUE A

Sigma Nu and Sigma Chi Staging Battle for Championship of Their League

Phi Sigma Kappa won the championship of League B and the right to play the winner of League A for the interfraternity baseball trophy by defeating Kappa Sigma Sunday 11 to 2 for their fifth consecutive win. Sigma Nu leads in League A, having won three and lost none, while Sigma Chi is credited with two victories and no defeats.

Despite the one-sided score of the Phi Sigma Kappa-Kappa Sigma encounter, the game was a hard fought and interesting one, with the exception of Phi Sigma Kappa's big sixth inning. Phi Sigma Kappa led 2 to 1 at the beginning of the sixth. The Kappa Sigma pitching staff broke down at this point, and allowed the Phi Sigs to chase home nine runs. Kappa Sigma scored once more in the seventh and final inning.

Phi Sigma Kappa made thirteen hits, of which six were doubles, and one was a triple made by Gary. Kappa Sigma obtained four safeties. Batteries for Phi Sigma Kappa were Glover and Stehman, and for Kappa Sigma, Wheaton, Goodhill and Sapp, pitchers, and Sapp, catcher. Glover struck out three men. Wheaton fanned six, three in one inning, Goodhill one, and Sapp one.

Sigma Nu Defeats S. A. E.

Sigma Nu won from Sigma Alpha Epsilon 11 to 4. Their victory was due largely to good batting, for they out-hit the S. A. E.'s in practically every inning. In one inning Sigma Nu scored seven runs.

Athey was on the mound for Sigma Nu and Delashmutt was behind the bat. Thompson went the route for Sigma Alpha Epsilon in the box and Hartman was the catcher. Acacia and Kappa Alpha were able to play only four innings, at which time Acacia was leading 6 to 4. Although the required number of innings for a legal game were not played, they were forced to call it a game and

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CHERRY TREE PROMISED NOT LATER THAN MAY 25

Final Subscription Drive to Dispose of Contract for 750 Copies of Annual

The Cherry Tree of 1926, to be issued not later than May 25th, will be offered to all buyers for the last time in a final subscription drive to be held by Arthur Perry, Business Manager, with Margaret Maize in charge of subscriptions. As there are only 750 copies printed, of which a large percentage have already been sold, it is necessary to buy at once to receive what is said to be the best year-book that George Washington University has ever produced, bound in buff and blue and being an enduring record of the life of the University for the past year.

The proof is in the Editor's hands and the finished product is definitely promised to subscribers before exams. It is a larger book than that of last year, and its binding carries out the school colors, with names on those covers for which the price has been paid. Altogether, the editor of the Cherry Tree promises a greater book both inside and out than its predecessors have been.

Crammed With Interest

Not only is it a good annual but the Cherry Tree is reported to be filled with questions of vital interest to every student. The popularity contest which was so exciting in the past will at last be disclosed. Every activity will have its share in the book and every sorority and fraternity its section; each class its individual write-up.

Nothing will be left out socially, athletically, dramatically or scholastically, that went to make the past year the record-breaking one it has been in G. W. annals. Everyone will find a little dig for a best friend or himself. Snapshots add a personal touch to the book and every Cherry Tree, an interesting book at graduation or before, will be an even greater treasure in the post-graduate years to come.

## PEDAGOGUES ISSUE FRENZIED CALL FOR AVAILABLE BASEBALL TALENT

Manager Doyle Expects Wealth of Veteran Material to Report for Initial Practice Thursday Afternoon In Gymnasium

Professor Henry Grattan Doyle, manager of the Faculty baseball team, has just issued a call for all aspirants for berths on the Faculty nine to report for practice. It is thought that practically the same team which had such a successful season last year will turn out for the initial practice session to be held in the Gym Thursday afternoon at one o'clock.

"Prexy" Lewis, the Profs' pitching ace, will undoubtedly hold down the mound job in the same admirable manner as last year. In addition, the Pedagogues will have as reserve hurlers "Maud" Crum, a starboard flinger of no little renown, and "Doc" Roe.

According to reports from the Faculty camp, an abundance of high grade material is expected to show up, and there will be a merry battle for regular positions on the nine. Manager Doyle has indicated that members of last year's team cannot rest

upon their laurels, but on the contrary, must work just that much harder for regular berths this season. "Gil" Hall, the "iron man behind the bat" will doubtless perform as backstop.

"Clint" Croissant is expected to come out and secure his old job of water and bat boy. "Bob" Bolwell will no doubt be out fighting for his old position at short. Dean Van Vleck, Dean Miller, "Shorty" Johnson, "Doc" Anderson, and "Louie" Kayser are expected to report. In short, prospects seem unusually bright. All the candidates will be pointing for the annual Faculty-Pyramid ball game, which will probably be held immediately after the exams.

Any teams desiring to add to its prestige, and book games with the Profs should get in touch immediately with Manager H. G. Doyle. (Attention, Bucky Harris.)

## FRESHWOMEN WIN GIRLS' SWIM MEET

Julia Denning Takes Individual Honors, with Ruth Jackson in Second Place

EASY VICTORY FOR FROSH

Team Chosen from Winners to Compete with Capital Athletic Club May 19

The freshmen women swam to a decisive victory in the interclass meet last Wednesday, May 5, at the Y. W. C. pool, leading their nearest opponents, the juniors, by 16 points, and the sophomores by 22 points. Julia Denning, a freshman, won the individual honors, scoring three firsts and a third place, with Ruth Jackson, of the junior class, second with 14 points, Virginia Cooper, a sophomore, third, and Alice Ranck, a junior fourth.

Immediately after the meet Dean Rose awarded the physical education cup to the winning freshmen and a bathing suit to Julia Denning. Badges were given to the girls who placed in the meet.

The first event was the forty-yard side stroke race for the advanced swimmers which was won by Julia Denning with Judith Steele second and Virginia Cooper a close third. The twenty-five-yard free-style dash for intermediates was won by Virginia Cooper, Ruth Jackson coming in second, and Margaret Moreland third.

The advanced fancy diving was captured by Julia Denning with only three points more than Alice Ranck, who beat Judith Steele by two points. Ruth Jackson and Virginia Cooper tied for first place in the intermediate diving with Mary Ewing second and Grace Lear third.

Dengler Wins Free Style

Julia Denning took first in the free swimming with Mary Ewing, second, and Alice Ranck, third. The entrants in the advanced free-style race were greatly handicapped by the shortness of time and were only allowed to swim twenty-five yards instead of the forty planned. Frances Dengler came in first, Alice Ranck second and Julia Denning third.

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## HATCHET DELEGATES TO ATTEND I. N. A. MEETING

Three Staff Members Will Represent Hatchet at Convention at Swarthmore May 14 and 15

The annual convention of the Inter-collegiate Newspaper Association of the Middle Atlantic States colleges will be held at Swarthmore College, May 14 and 15. According to the Swarthmore Phoenix, approximately fifty delegates are expected to attend the convention. Both men and women delegates, representing the editorial and business branches of collegiate journalism will be present.

On May 14 the delegates will be entertained at a dinner which will be followed by various speeches on different phases of journalism. The list of speakers for the occasion includes James Melvin Lee, one of the foremost journalists in the East, secretary of the I. N. A., and professor of journalism at New York University; Mr. Waldo, assistant editor of the Philadelphia Public Ledger; and ex-Governor Sproul of Pennsylvania. The executive sessions of the convention will be held May 15, and current journalistic problems will be discussed. The Hatchet will be represented by Howard M. Baggett, managing editor, Raymond H. Reed, business manager, and Campbell Starr, news editor.

## "JUST A KISS" MAKES UNPRECEDENTED HIT

Gym Crowded to Capacity at Both Performances of Original Show

TROUBADOURS WIN CUP

Music, Singing, Specialties and Chorus Receive Big Ovation From Audience

The presentation of "Just a Kiss" by the Troubadours Thursday, May 6, and Friday, May 7, in the school Gymnasium marked the most successful event in the history of University Dramatics. The gymnasium theatre was packed to capacity at both performances. Never were there more enthusiastic audiences.

Encore after encore greeted the musical and dance numbers, and exuberance knew no bounds when the finale assembled the entire company on the stage, every known form of applause being pressed into use. The presentation of the Phi Delta Gamma cup on the second evening to the Troubadours made another opportunity for an enthusiastic outburst.

Keen appreciation of this event was not confined to the student body. Officials and faculty of the University expressed themselves as highly pleased with the production in no mean terms. Even the allegedly "hard boiled" men of the local press were generous in their praise. The wide publicity given the production was obviously justified by its results.

"Just a Kiss" is the first original musical comedy to be produced in the University. Jack Hutchings wrote the music which was acclaimed the hit of the show. Additional music was by Joanne Collins, Marion Campbell, and Lola Bowden. The book, "the freshness and originality" of which was commended by the city press, is from the pen of Sterry Waterman and Larry Parker. Sterry Waterman with Mary Virginia Leckie, Marion Campbell, and Sterry Waterman wrote the lyrics. "Just a Kiss" was produced under the direction of Miss Katherine S. Brown, dramatic coach.

Lloyd and Tompkins Star

The cast was headed by Annabelle Lloyd and Ellsworth Tompkins as the romantic leads. Ruth Newburn, Ruth Hutchinson, and Larry Parker handled the comedy element of the show. Ben Cain and Morris Larson round out the list of principals.

Specialty numbers were given by Mary Virginia Leckie, who did an Oriental dance, Frances Dengler, singing "Until the Dawn," and the Hooper brothers, soft shoe dancing. There were also numbers by the Men's Glee Club.

Elmer Brown directed the orchestra in the musical numbers, while Mary Virginia Leckie, assisted by Louise Braswell, Abbie Burke, and Elsie Talbert trained the choruses. Costuming was the work of Ruth Peters, President of the Troubadours, assisted by Marie Didden.

The chorus of campus favorites was composed of Maxine Alverson, Mary Beard, Mabel Best, Betsey Booth, Betty Brandenburg, Louise Braswell, Ellen Buell, Abbie Burke, Eleanor Chandler, Virginia Cooper, Julia Denning, Evelyn Esch, Dorothy Gray, Mary Temple Hill, Mary Hoge, Bernadine Horn, Mary Cecelia Horn, Betty Moody, Emily Pilkinton, Elsie Talbert, Winnie White, Hattie Wise, Phillippa Gerry, Dorothy Latimer, and Anne McKerrle.

## RING SALE

Last week to get your George Washington University rings! They will be on display in the Hatchet Office from 12:15 to 1 and from 4:30 to 5:10 every day this week. Every student with 60 or more semester hours credit is entitled to purchase a ring.

## SUMMER SESSION TO OPEN JUNE 14; PLANS COMPLETED

New Courses Offered in English, History, Library Science and Psychology

TO OPEN JUNE FOURTEEN

Visiting Professors Will Add Variety To Work to Be Given in Summer School

Plans for the Summer School have been completed, and catalogs are ready for distribution. Registration begins June 11, and instruction in the nine-week courses starts June 14, while that in the six-week courses starts July 6. Registration in both cases closes three days after the class has started. The fees are at the same rate per semester hour as in winter.

New courses are offered in English, history, library science, psychology and zoology. Classes in Science and Literature in the Nineteenth Century, the Literature of the Bible, and modern European drama will be held by Professor Croissant. A course in short story writing will be given by Dr. Anderson. Dean Wilbur will offer a course in the Idylls of the King, and Mr. Smith, courses in American poets and chief poets of the Romantic movement. New courses in history of the Old South under Prof. Coterill and the history of the West under Dr. Churchill are listed.

In addition to the regular courses in cataloguing and classification, a new course in reference and administration will be given by Prof. Schmidt as third year work in library science. Students who have passed the first two courses or who have had adequate library experience are eligible for this course. It will be held only in summer school this year, and continued the following summer with special attention to bibliography.

Abnormal Psychology

Abnormal psychology will be given under Dr. Moss, and an elementary course in psychology will be offered by Dr. Bartsch.

The Medical School offers courses in bacteriology and clinical microscopy and parasitology under Dr. Hunter.

The six-weeks courses carry two credits and the nine-week courses, 3 credits. In the languages, however, the full six-hour credits may be had in first year work. In botany, history, education and psychology full credit may be obtained in some classes by taking both semesters' work at the same time.

The university will be open all day during the summer from 7:45 a. m. until 9 p. m., and classes will meet five times a week. The library will be open from 8:30 a. m. to 12:30 and 3 to 9 p. m.

Dr. Coterill, professor of history at the University of Louisville, Mr. Lawrence Hoover, teacher of general science at Central High School, Dr. George Miller, professor of education at the University of Oklahoma, Mr. William Robinson, specialist of the U. S. Bureau of Education, and Mr. Arthur Wright, professor of education at Dartmouth College, are to hold classes at G. W. during the summer season.

Summer school catalogs may be obtained at the Registrar's office for further information. Students are also advised to consult Prof. Kayser, director of the Summer School, about their courses.

## HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS GUESTS OF G. W. CLUBS

Vodvil Stunts, Talks on Activities and Dancing Furnish the Evening's Entertainment

Saturday evening, May 8, high school seniors were entertained in the gym by representatives of the various University high school clubs. Professor Henry Grattan Doyle, chairman of the program, first gave a talk on the scholastic work of the University, mentioning both our high standard and the great number of courses included in the curriculum.

H. Watson Crum, director of men's athletics, reviewed the team schedules for this year and next. He also openly admitted that next year George Washington will have physical education for both men and women freshmen.

Sketches Work.

Professor Doyle sketched the work done by the four dramatic associations, the debate teams and the publication staffs.

The first of the acts taken from the Vodvil, entitled "The Backward Gym Class," was given by Gamma Beta Pi. During the intermission our favorite Charleston Dancer, Joseph, performed a shower of shekels. Chi Omega presented its interpretation of the "Courtship of Miles Standish," and Phi Mu its "Russian Peasant Dance."

Dancing, with Paul Gable at the piano, completed the evening.

## TROUBADOURS WIN PHI DELT CUP WITH ORIGINAL OFFERING

Professor Kayser Awards Cup To Ruth Peters For "Just a Kiss"

GIVES REPORT ON PLAYS

Committee Ranks Performances in Order, Troubadours, Players, Dionysians and Mimes

At the second performance of "Just a Kiss" last Friday night, Professor Elmer L. Kayser, chairman of the committee on the Phi Delta Gamma award, presented the cup to the Troubadours, as the producing club of the Dramatic Association having put on the best performance during the 1926 Dramatic Festival.

The cup last year was won by the Mimes, and it is interesting that both awards were made to clubs which have presented offerings either original in themselves or in their staging or both, which fact should act as a very real incentive to those students interested in that type of dramatics at G. W. U. In addition to Professor Kayser, representing Phi Delta Gamma, the committee included Professor Croissant and Dr. Anderson. The complete report of the committee on the 1926 award is quoted below.

Committee's Report

"Our judgment in respect to the various productions is as follows:

"The Mimes—Their presentation was not sufficiently finished to justify consideration for the prize. They are to be commended for their originality, especially for the composition of their first play, and for the presentation of the third play. The acting of the roles of Violante and Lizzia stood out.

"The Players—The interpretation of Shaw's play was such that Shaw's meaning was clear to the audience. The acting of the twins and the mother was such as to merit commendation. The father, although presented as a much older man than conceived by Shaw, was a consistent characterization.

"The Dionysians—This was a very beautiful performance as to setting, grouping, and smoothness of performance, but was not in the spirit of Aristophanes in these particulars. The play was presented so that the meaning and intent of Aristophanes were not clear to the audience, except in the

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## TEN ARE INITIATED BY GATE AND KEY SOCIETY

Officers Selected For Coming Year After Initiation Meeting Held Recently By Frat Group

Ten students, who have shown particular prominence in college activities and who at the same time have maintained a high scholarship standing were initiated into Gate and Key, honorary interfraternity society, at a meeting held last week. Officers for the coming year were also elected.

The number initiated includes seven seniors and three juniors with a representation of seven fraternities.

Those initiated are S. W. Brookhart, Jr., Sigma Chi; William B. Quanton, Sigma Chi; Willard G. McGraw, Kappa Alpha; Stanley A. Clark, Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Stuart Buschong, Sigma Phi Epsilon; Irvin McGrew, Theta Upsilon Omega; Ellis D. Bever, Wandering Greeks (Phi Kappa Alpha); John C. Hill, Delta Tau Delta; Clifton R. Moore, Delta Tau Delta; and Kenneth W. Abrams, Delta Tau Delta.

The newly elected officers for Gate and Key are Richard K. McPherson, Kappa Alpha, president; Joseph S. Rutley, Phi Sigma Kappa, vice president; George A. von Dachenhausen, Phi Sigma Kappa, secretary; and John C. Ketcham, Sigma Phi Epsilon, treasurer.

## FIVE STUDENTS ENTER PEACE ESSAY CONTEST

Weddell Prize of \$250 To Be Awarded To Successful Candidate on Commencement Night

The Annual Peace Essay contest is closed, but the announcement of the final decision and the award of the prize of \$250 will not be made until Commencement Day.

Dr. Charles E. Hill expresses himself as unusually pleased with the essays, and says, "There are only five entrants, but all of them show exceptional quality."

Virginia Carter Castleman wrote on "International Peace," W. G. Cleveland on "The Permanent Court of International Justice and What it Has Accomplished," Catherine Cate Coblenz on "The Drug Traffic—A World Responsibility," Ora Marshino on "What the Permanent Court of International Justice Has Accomplished," and Anne Rebecca Koonce chose for her topic "The Attitude of the United States towards the Treaty of Versailles."



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## THE CUP FOR "JUST A KISS"

The award of the Phi Delta Gamma cup to the Troubadours for the best production of the Dramatic Festival met with the approving enthusiasm of all who saw "Just a Kiss." Impartial members of the audience were heard to remark that they had seen many shows at six times the price which could not compare with this in many respects. Even the hardened newspaper critics waxed eloquent in praise of the offering. There is no question but that this production was an epoch-making event in the annals of George Washington University. "Just a Kiss" has put us on the local theatrical map. We feel that the excellence of the show warrants further performances at a downtown theatre or on tour. Surely it ranks more than favorably with other college productions of a similar nature.

The University owes a debt of praise and gratitude to those who have worked so hard to make this venture a success. "Just a Kiss" was that rare avis in these decadent times, a musical comedy with music. Jack Hutchings' melodies were the kind that send one away humming or whistling, and contributed largely to the success of the show. Only the limitation of space prevents a detailed eulogy of authors, of directors, and cast. All in all, the University is justly proud of so worth while an achievement in the realm of college dramas.

## BUT WHY NOT AN ORCHESTRA?

The development of musical organizations at the University in the past two years is remarkable. The men's and women's Glee Clubs have been making excellent progress. Professor Gropp's String Quartet is another musical group which has proven a delightful asset to the school this year. But, while several sporadic attempts have been made to organize an orchestra at George Washington, none of them have been successful. This is regrettable. With as much musical ability at large as there is in the school, it seems a shame that it is necessary to go outside to hire an orchestra for every affair that demands one. There is every reason to believe that such a group, if adequately trained, would not only reap the benefit of the association that mutual participation in music alone can bring, but would also receive the patronage of university groups when an orchestra was needed.

## DRAMATICS OF THE FUTURE

The Dramatic Festival has drawn to a successful close, successful from the standpoint of achievement, and, as it progressed, of financial support as well. Now, it is the proclivity of editors to vouchsafe opinions on matters of which they know little or nothing, and dramatics must come in for its share of editorial comment. It would seem to an outside observer that three dramatic clubs would be sufficient to cover the dramatic field as competitive producing units in the Festival. There should continue to be a fourth group, made up of those interested in the purely experimental phases of drama, stagecraft, and designing. Let them continue to put on only original student-written plays, but not on a competitive basis. In their work on costuming, lighting and settings such a group could be of incalculable service as an accessory unit to all the three other clubs.

Furthermore, from the standpoint of student and public support, it would be a great deal better to have the Festival distributed over a longer period of time. Four dramatic presentations within less than a month, so near the final examination period, can not hope to get individually the audience that three productions at different times of the year would attract. There are, no doubt, objections to this plan, but the material advantages which would accrue to such a program would overbalance them, it seems reasonable to believe.

The achievements of this year's work in Dramatics leaves no doubt that there is a decided future at George Washington in this phase of activity. With the quality of presentation offered this year, there is every reason to suppose that Dramatics can become a decided asset to the University in a financial capacity. At least one local high school supports all of its activities on the proceeds from its dramatic vehicle. This could be done at G. W. with encouragement from the powers that be. Thus, dramatics, while offering a great medium for self development to the individual student, could at the same time be the means of advertising the school, and besides being self supporting, earn money for other activities.

In this connection, may we not hope that the day is not far off when this University will, as so many others of the best and most progressive throughout the country already have, realize the place and importance of university drama by installing an experimental theatre and classes in playwriting, acting, staging, and the like with college credit.



Misses Gertrude Young and Evelyn Fletcher were hostesses at a bridge shower, at the latter's home Thursday evening, in honor of Miss Hazel Davis. The guests included Mrs. Rhodes, Misses Wright, Moreland, Wescott, Barr, Allison, Hopkins, Smith, Kellogg, Goodeve, Perlman, Strothers, and Frances Davis.

The party to be given Friday by Delta Tau Delta promises to be the most unique of the spring affairs. The Manor Club has been engaged for the entire day, the party going out in the afternoon for sports, with dinner at the club, followed by dancing from nine to one.

The Chi O girls taking part in the Troubadours, "Just a Kiss," Thursday evening, were the guests of honor at a buffet supper, given by the remainder of the chapter, in the rooms, following the performance. Among the other guests present were Mary Virginia Lecky and Miss Katherine Brown.

Delta Zeta held its formal initiation banquet at the Hotel Lafayette on the evening of Monday, May 3rd. The dinner was largely attended by the active and alumni chapters and followed the initiation of seven new members on Saturday, the 1st.

The engagement of Miss Isabella Chamberlain to Robert C. Stanfill, of Tennessee, was recently announced. The latter received his A. B. degree from George Washington in 1925, and is now doing bacteriological work in St. Louis, Mo.

Betty Bradford spent the weekend as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKee, at the Hilltop House, Harpers Ferry, W. Va.

An approaching marriage of much interest to G. W. is that of Miss Hazel Davis to Ensign Harry Keith, which will take place Saturday evening at the Church of the Epiphany. Miss Frances Davis will be maid of honor for her sister and the bridesmaids will include Helen Kellogg, Evelyn Fletcher and Gertrude Young.

The German students regret very much the illness of Prof. Gropp, who has been home ill since last week with bronchitis. He is missed in his class rooms and on the campus, and everyone wishes sincerely that he may soon recover and return in good health.

The pledges of Zeta Tau Alpha held a tea for the pledges and new initiates of the other sororities on the campus, Thursday, 4 to 6 at the sorority apartment at 900 19th Street.

The Kappa Delta girls entertained their mothers and several friends at their last "at home" of the year.

Sunday afternoon Zeta Tau Alpha gave a mothers' day tea at the sorority rooms at 900 19th Street.

The Kappa Sigmas tendered a very attractive farewell dance to Jimmy Naylor at their house on 1803 19th Street N. W., Friday night, April 30. "Jimmy" went through his delightfully entertaining Buck dances for the farewell time—enjoyed by those who had never seen them before, but caused a tear to roll down the cheeks of the Kappa Sigs. A lot of keen girls were "dragged by the boys" and when "Home Sweet Home" announced that one a. m. had crashed the gates it was difficult to "tear" them away. The house was decorated with flowers and blossom sprays. Music was furnished by Claude Nichols.

On Saturday, May 1, Delta Zeta conducted formal initiation services for Anita Brown, Bessie MacIntyre, Florence Tighe, Margaret Neumann, Elizabeth Drake, Margaret Tatum, and June Eckel.

The initiation was followed by an informal party given by the Delta Zeta Alumni at the home of Mrs. Kephart.

Kappa Delta Sorority announces that the second degree has been bestowed upon Dorothy Burns, Leah Cate, Catherine Crawley, Carolyn Getty, Joyce Graham, Dorothy Greasley, Elizabeth Hall, Estella and Helen Humphries, Esther Iglehart, Mary Kennedy, Dorothy Pyle, Dorothy Stevens, Avril Stewart, Mulani Uhlig and Mary Withers.

The active chapter of Kappa Delta gave a benefit bridge party Friday April 30 at the Hotel Hamilton.

## EXAM FOR FITCH PRIZE

The examination for the Willie E. Fitch Prize of fifty dollars, which is awarded annually for highest excellence in chemistry, will be held at the convenience of the candidates not later than June 3, 1926. Any student who contemplates taking this examination should see Professor McNeil as soon as possible.

## IN MEMORIAM

One year ago, May 9, 1925, Dean Wagner, star halfback of the 1924 Varsity eleven, passed away at the University Hospital as the result of a cerebral hemorrhage. The Hatchet has recently received a letter from Mrs. E. E. Wagner, of Derry, Pa., Dean's mother. She enclosed a poem entitled "In Memory of Dean Wagner," expressing the heartfelt sorrow of herself and Dean's father, sisters and brothers. The Hatchet regrets that due to lack of space, the poem can not be quoted.

## GIRL RACKETERS WIN WM. AND MARY MATCH

Take All Singles Matches and One Doubles in Season's First Engagement

Co-ed tennis players decisively defeated the girl racketers of William and Mary in the first match on the Hatchet schedule at the Monument courts Saturday afternoon. The G. W. team took four out of five matches.

Frances Walker, who is No. 1 player on the G. W. women's team, defeated Ellen Moody, William and Mary, 6-4, 6-3. Alys Ewers, G. W., triumphed over Anna Wilkens, 6-4, 6-4. Edith Petrie took the third singles match for G. W. from Margaret McDaniel, 6-3, 6-4.

G. W. broke even in the doubles, taking one and losing one. Leah Cate and Miriam Davis defeated Mae Slem and Elizabeth Tanner for George Washington's victory.

## Darkness Halts Match

The other doubles match was called off on account of darkness, with the score standing 3-6, 6-4, 4-3 in favor of Helen Osborne and Anna Wilkens of William and Mary. Frances Walker and Elizabeth Garber conceded the victory to the visitors.

The schedule for the remainder of the season follows: Marjorie Webster, May 11; Gallaudet, May 15; National Park, May 19, at National Park; Fredericksburg Normal, May 21, at Fredericksburg; William and Mary, May 23, at Williamsburg. Home matches will be played at the Monument Lot.

## EPISCOPAL CLUB TO MEET

The Episcopal Club will meet this Thursday, May 13th, in Room 23 Corcoran Hall, after first having assembled in the University Cafeteria for supper.

Plans for the adoption of a distinctive insignia will be discussed, and an amendment to the Constitution may be proposed.

A corporate communion was held Sunday May 9th in Saint Paul's Church on Twenty-third Street, followed by a breakfast in the Parish Hall.

The final meeting of the year has been announced for Sunday afternoon, May 23 at 3 o'clock at the home of Rolston Lyon, 217 Rittenhouse Street Northwest.

## SENIOR COMMITTEE MEETS

The next meeting of the Senior Week Committee will be held Friday evening at seven o'clock in the basement of Stockton Hall.

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## INTRODUCING THE FACULTY

### JOHN R. LAPHAM

The East looms to the fore again and Prof. Lapham appears as the culprit. A native of Medway, Massachusetts, where he obtained his early education, Prof. Lapham later attended Brown University, graduating with the degree of B. S. in Civil Engineering in 1909.

He later attended Pennsylvania State College, receiving his M. S. in Civil Engineering from that place in 1916. He was first connected with the construction department of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad in 1909, where he remained until 1911. During this time he was situated at Providence, R. I. He was appointed assistant instructor of Civil Engineering at Pennsylvania State College in 1911, continuing so until 1916, when he came to Washington.

Prof. Lapham became associated with the University in 1916 as assistant professor, rising in 1917 to professor of Civil Engineering. He has remained in this capacity until recently, when he was appointed acting dean of the Department of Engineering, the appointment to take effect this coming September.

In addition to his work at the University he is engaged in active business along engineering lines. In the capacity of consulting and inspecting engineer he conducts special investigations and tests in concrete and cement. During the war he occupied the position as office engineer with the U. S. Housing Corporation. He has also been a special agent for the University Extension Division of the Massachusetts State Board of Education.

He is active in University affairs as a member of the President's Council, Student Activities Committee (in charge of music) and Chairman of the Honor Committee.

He is a member of the American

Society of Civil Engineers, American Concrete Institute, Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, American Association of Engineers and Washington Society of Engineers.

## TROUBADOURS WIN PHI DELTA TROPHY

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characters of Bacchus, Xanthias, Aeacus, and Women Suters, who did make clear the satiric intent of Aristophanes. In other respects the play was presented in the very spirit and manner that Aristophanes was satirically attacking.

"The Troubadours—This performance was pleasing to the eye and ear; the music tuneful, and was adequately sung except as to the chorus; the staging and costuming were satisfactory. It fulfilled the object of musical comedy to amuse and entertain. Although the chorus was uneven and failed to sing, suggesting insufficiency of rehearsal, the acting of Rosamond, Molly, Marguerita, Ostrander and Ferdinando was adequate.

"In view of these facts we would rank the performances as follows: First, The Troubadours; Second, The Players; Third, The Dionysians; Fourth, The Mimes."

Professor Kayser after giving the report, presented the cup to Ruth Peters, President of the Troubadours, adding that he was glad to be able to yield to his gentlemanly instincts and give the cup for Just a Kiss.

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## HATCHETTE TRACKMEN DROP MEET TO MIDDIES

Captain Loehler Is Individual Star of  
Event Run off at Annapolis  
Last Saturday

The Hatchette track team dropped a well-run dual meet to the Naval Academy cinder squad last Saturday afternoon at Annapolis. The Middies won, 114 to 21.

The work of Capt. "Johnnie" Loehler stood out head and shoulders above that of the other performers. Loehler won the 120 and 220-yard hurdles, placed second in the broad jump and shot put, and finished third in the discus throw, scoring 17 of the 21 markers gathered by the Buff and Blue crew.

The Navy lads showed their superiority by taking 13 first places out of the 15 events on the afternoon's card. Aaronson was the only other G. W. man to break into the scoring. He placed second on the pole vault, and finished third in the century.

Two of the Navy's performers had the distinction of winning two first places each. Rutledge won the pole vault and broad jump, while McGarry showed the way in the discus and javelin events.

### Summary

100-yard dash—Won by Kern, Navy; N. A. Hetter, Navy second; Aaronson, G. W. third. Time 0:10 7-10.  
Two-mile run—Won by Thomas, Navy; Rowley, Navy, second; Watson, Navy, third. Time, 9:55.  
220-yard dash—Won by Summers, Navy; Kern, Navy, second; Jacobson, Navy, third. Time, 0:23.

120-yard high hurdles—Won by Loehler, G. W.; Boyer, Navy, second; Shapley, Navy, third. Time, 0:16 6-10.  
440-yard dash—Won by Tobelman, Navy; June, Navy, second; Caldwell, Navy, third. Time, 0:51 9-10.

1-mile run—Won by Bailey, Navy; Richardson, Navy, second; Brown, Navy, third. Time 4:39.  
220-yard low hurdles—Won by Loehler, G. W.; Shapley, Navy, second; Benjamin, Navy, third. Time, 0:26 2-10.

Half-mile run—Won by Jack, Navy; Carpenter, Navy, second; Urquhart, Navy, third. Time, 2:02 5-10.

### Field Events

Shot-put—Won by Warren, Navy; Loehler, G. W., second; Cooper, Navy, third. Distance 41 feet 6 inches.

Pole vault—Won by Rutledge, Navy; Aaronson, G. W., second; Taft, Navy, third. Height, 11 feet 6 inches.

Discus throw—Won by McGarry, Navy; Warren, Navy, second; Loehler, G. W., third. Distance, 122 feet 11 1/2 inches.

High jump—Won by Bernet, Navy; tie for second between Adair, Navy, and Foley, Navy. Height, 5 feet 11 1/4 inches.

Broad jump—Won by Rutledge, Navy; Loehler, G. W., second; Dawson, Navy, third. Distance, 21 feet 8 3/4 inches.

Hammer throw—Won by Chappell, Navy; Litty, Navy, second; Lewis, Navy, third. Distance, 129 feet 1 inch.

Javelin throw—Won by McGarry, Navy; Sullivan, Navy, second; Allen, Navy, third. Distance 162 feet 8 1/4 inches.

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## SIGMA CHI WINNER OF FRAT NET TILT

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### DEFEAT THETA DELTA CHI

Sigma Chi Team Wins Semi-Final  
Match in Straight Sets from  
Runner-up

Sigma Chi fraternity defeated Phi Sigma Kappa 3 to 0 in the finals of the first annual interfraternity tennis tournament in a series of matches played on the Wardman Park courts last Sunday. This entitles the winner to the cup offered by the Interfraternity Council to the victor in the series.

Sickler, of Sigma Chi, was hard pressed to win the opening match, finally disposing of Neibel, Phi Sigma Kappa, 2-6, 6-1, 8-6. Neibel took the first set in impressive fashion, but Sickler came back strong and only allowed his opponent one game in the second set. The deciding set was hard fought throughout and went to deuce twice before the Sigma Chi man finally won.

### Emms Undefeated

Emms, Sigma Chi, displayed the most brilliant tennis of the round by disposing of Detweiler, Phi Sigma Kappa, in straight sets, 6-2, 6-3. Emms went through the entire tournament without losing a set. In the doubles match Emms and Sickler paired to dispose of Detweiler and Neibel, 6-2, 6-3.

An agreement was made by the captains of the two teams before the match to let two wins out of three decide the matches instead of the three out of five regulation as prescribed by the Interfrat Council rules. The courts were allotted to the fraternity men for a limited period of time making this action necessary.

In the semi-final round Sigma Chi defeated Theta Delta Chi 3 to 0. Emms, Sigma Chi, defeated Runkle, Theta Delta Chi, in straight love sets 6-0, 6-0. Sickler, Sigma Chi, won from Battle, Theta Delta Chi, 6-1, 6-4. The two Sigma Chi men paired to defeat the two Theta Delta Chi men in the doubles match 6-2, 6-3.

### TITLE IN LEAGUE B GOES TO PHI SIGS

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conceded a victory to Acacia. The game has no effect upon the outcome of the series, as Phi Sigma Kappa has a clear title to the league championship.

Batteries were for Acacia, Spangler and McKnight, and for Kappa Alpha, Neville and Wischert.

### Title Game May 16

May 16 is the date set for the title game between the league leaders, but as the championship of League A has not been decided it cannot be said definitely whether the game will be played at that time. Sigma Nu is to play Sigma Chi some time this week, probably Saturday. Sigma Chi also has a postponed game to play with Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Sigma Alpha Epsilon has not yet played Delta Tau Delta.

Should Sigma Nu win from Sigma Chi this week, it would give them the title, for they would be the only undefeated team and would have their schedule completed. Should Sigma Chi win, they would have to play off their game with Sigma Alpha Epsilon to complete their schedule. A victory for Sigma Chi would give them the league title, but if S. A. E. should win the game there would then be a tie between Sigma Chi and Sigma Nu.

### Team standings:

League A			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Sigma Nu	3	0	1.000
Sigma Chi	2	0	1.000
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	1	1	.500
Delta Tau Delta	1	2	.250
Theta Upsilon Omega	0	4	.000

League B			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Phi Sigma Kappa	5	0	1.000
Sigma Phi Epsilon	4	1	.800
Kappa Sigma	2	2	.500
Acacia	2	2	.500
Kappa Alpha	1	4	.200
Theta Delta Chi	0	5	.000

\*Sigma Phi Epsilon is given credit for a forfeit from Theta Delta Chi this week.

### FRESHWOMEN WIN GIRLS' SWIM MEET

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The meet officials were Ada Moody, Virginia Hopkins and Dorothy Greene. The team chosen from the winners of this meet will compete with the Capitol Athletic Club team on May 19.

### Summary:

**Advanced Events**  
25-yard free-style—Won by Frances Dengler, time 0:19; second, Alice Rank; third, Julia Denning.  
40-yard side-stroke—Won by Julia Denning; time 0:38; second, Judith Steele; third, Virginia Cooper.  
Fancy Diving—Won by Julia Denning; second, Alice Rank; third, Judith Steele.  
Form swimming—Won by Julia Denning; second, Mary Ewing; third, Alice Rank.

**Intermediate Events**  
25-yard free-style—Won by Virginia Cooper; time 0:21 8-5; second, Ruth Jackson; third, Margaret Moreland.  
Diving—Won by Virginia Cooper and Ruth Jackson; second, Mary Ewing; third, Grace Lear.  
Plunge—Won by Ruth Jackson; second, Esther Walsmith; third, Frances Dengler.

### Novices

10-yard dash—Won by Burger; second, Zimmerman; third, Vanice.

## SPLINTERS FROM SPORTDOM

Trackmen Meet C. U.

Baseball Appropriations

Our Tin Tabernacle

By DOMY DOMIGAN

There should be an interesting time this week-end when the G. W. and C. U. tracksters meet in their annual encounter. While the G. W. boys will be out for revenge for the defeats sustained in football and basketball, the Cardinals are out to keep their record against the local boys clear. Although the Hatchettes were swamped last Saturday by Navy, who were showing their best form of the year, it must be remembered that C. U. did little better against Wake Forest and not as well against Maryland. Then for the first time this year, the strength of the G. W. team will be in action. There is some discussion as to holding the meet on Friday rather than the traditional Saturday. In either case, it should be worthy of student support, as the biggest remaining athletic event of the year and our last meeting with C. U.

From all indications, the one advantage of the baseball appropriation has been to establish the sport at G. W. But history has recorded different branches of athletics being dropped from the athletic books from year to year. From all indications, attempts at a baseball schedule are destined to result in failures with the probability of being unable to secure a single intercollegiate game. But now is the time to start next year's plans, and with proper organization, we hope that in another year, G. W. will really be supporting a baseball team.

As to plans for next year. Of course there will have to be a budget—the funds to be supplied from next year's student activities fees. Just what that budget will be, we are not informed. But it seems unjust to the athletes in other sports that one team should have 60 per cent of the total appropriation, thus putting the others between the devil and the deep blue sea; if they have any games, there is no money left for letters; if they don't have games, there isn't any way to win the letters. Such is the situation of this year's basketball team; last year's track team is in like circumstances and this year's promises to be no better. It would seem no more than just to those concerned that the numerous \$2 collected for delinquent payment of tuition should be applied to pay these delinquent obligations of the University.

We will leave the commendation of "Just a Kiss" to the Dramatic Editor, but it seems fitting to here comment on the use of the gym. Thursday night, a sign on the door read: No Admittance. But that seemingly made little difference to the members of the track team, who, as usual, used the gym as their dressing room. Sometime later, as an early attraction, the boys returned from practice in sweat clothes, or less, and with all the audacity of kings, entered the dressing room to reclaim their clothes. According to most of the boys, it was a good show.

Well, the Troubadours should feel complimented for most of the boys on the track team are good critics; they have seen lots of other shows the same way. But this incident only recalls an old situation. Not that the Troubadours were one bit of bother to the track team, but it would have made no difference had it been some other organization that was. The names suggested for the gym such as Charleston Hall, the Jim Theatre; and probably an even more fitting one by a prominent professor—The Tin Tabernacle, speak for themselves. Now, the plans for next year are being made. Let us hope that the new athletic administration has the foresight to provide a place for dramatics; a place for athletics; and a place for each separate extra-curricular activity to the mutual interest and welfare of all.

### A CORRECTION

The statement made in a Hatchet editorial last week to the effect that women's tennis had not received an appropriation from the student activity fund was in error, as the girls' team received the sum of \$100 at the same time that a like appropriation was made the men's team recently.

### SENIOR PROM

The Senior Class announces the Senior Prom to be held at the Mayflower Hotel, June 4. Dick Leibert's Sangamo Orchestra will furnish the syncopation. Novel surprise programs are promised. The subscription is five dollars, and tickets will be placed on sale at an early date.

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## COLUMBIANS GAIN LEAD IN INTRA-MURAL LEAGUE

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gineers 5 to 0; Series Ends  
Friday

Pushing across four runs in the first inning, and holding the lead throughout the game, the Columbian College baseball team whitewashed the Engineers 5 to 0 last Friday afternoon. Sapp, hurling for the Columbians, pitched air-tight ball, holding the Surveysors to five scattered hits.

While Sapp had the Engineers eating out of his hand, his mates pounced upon Curtis, the Engineer twirler and succeeded in ringing up four tallies in the first frame. After yielding this bevy of runs, Curtis settled down and let the A. B. lads off with but one more marker. The game was remarkably well-played with but few errors occurring to mar the play.

Friday's win over the Engineers places the Columbians in first place in the Intra-Mural standing, with three wins and one defeat on their record. The Engineers have slumped to second place, while the Chemists are still last.

Two more games are to be played before the close of the series. Columbian College meets the Chemists this afternoon, while the Engineers will tackle the Columbians Friday for the final try of the series.

### Standing of Teams

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Columbian	3	1	.750
Engineers	2	2	.500
Chemists	1	3	.250

## RIFLEMEN WILL GO TO ANNAPOLIS ON MAY 15

G. W. Will Enter Two Teams to  
Compete for Eastern Outdoor  
Championship

Our Men's Rifle Team will journey to Annapolis on Saturday, May 15, to compete with colleges from all over the east for the Eastern Outdoor Intercollegiate Championship.

George Washington University will put two teams into the field. The first team will be captained by T. A. Riley, and will further consist of H. E. Riley, Schricker, Smith, Strawbridge and Slavik. The second team will consist of Parsons, Plugge, Leighy, Campbell, Banks and Andrews. Lane will make the trip as alternate.

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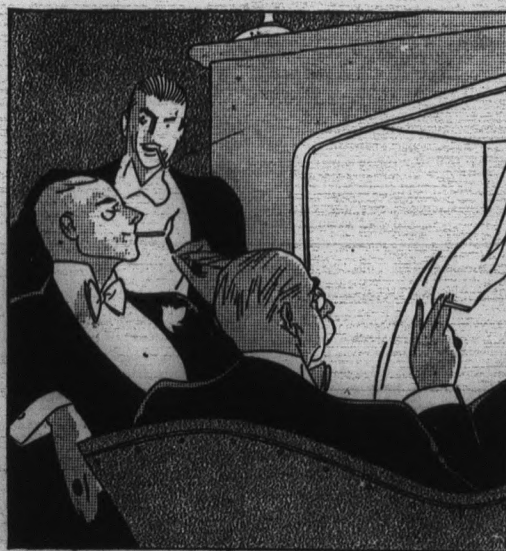
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## SWISHER MEMORIAL FUND WILL SOON BE COMPLETED

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The Swisher Memorial Fund has been practically completed, and the committee will meet within the next few days to decide upon the form to be taken by the testimonial which is to be erected to Dr. Charles Swisher, Professor of History in George Washington University.

Notwithstanding the fact that the fund is almost complete, there are some expenses over the amount of the cost of the memorial which will have to be met, and subscriptions are still welcome, and may be given to Edgar Graham, who has charge of the work. The testimonial will probably be a portrait of Dr. Swisher or an alcove on history in the University Library. It is expected that the fund will be complete within a week or ten days, and the committee's decision upon the character of the memorial will be presented to University authorities before that time.

## GIRDNER IS ELECTED DIONYSIAN PRESIDENT

Plans Now Being Made for Summer Session and Next Year's Play

The Dionysians held their last meeting on May 6 for the purpose of electing new officers and making plans for next year. Kermit Girdner was elected president, Mrs. Olga Kephart, vice-president, Eleanor Dunne, secretary, and Virginia Strickland, treasurer.

The associate members, who had proved their earnestness by participation in the "Frogs," were elected to full membership.

Appreciation to Prof. Gropp and Ruth Seitzig for their help was expressed by all the members. Plans are now being made for next year and for work in the summer, as it is hoped to put on a play for the summer students.

## PRAISES RIFLE TEAM IN LETTER TO PRESIDENT

Tigert Lauds Sportsmanship and Achievement of Team

In a letter received recently by President Lewis from Dr. John J. Tigert, Commissioner of Education, in regard to the dinner given to the G. W. Rifle Team on April 24, Dr. Tigert says:

"It was a great pleasure to me to be present and hear about the development of this team and add my bit of congratulation for such an outstanding accomplishment. I wish to take this opportunity to extend in writing my sincere congratulations to George Washington University and to you upon the excellent sportsmanship and inspiring achievement of this team."

## ALCHEMISTS PETITION ALPHA CHI SIGMA FRAT

Local Group Organized in 1912 Seeks Charter From Honorary Chemical Fraternity

The Alchemists, local organization of students of chemistry, has submitted a petition for charter to the Supreme Council of Alpha Chi Sigma, national chemical fraternity.

The Alchemists was organized in 1912 to give opportunity for closer professional association to the students of chemistry at George Washington. In 1925 it was merged with Eta Chi Sigma, honorary chemical fraternity, and now has a membership of 28 active and 51 alumni members.

Alpha Chi Sigma was founded at the University of Wisconsin in 1902 and has established 34 college and 12 professional chapters, mainly at the larger state universities and the leading technical schools in the country.

## DR. A. SIMON SPEAKER AT MENORAH SOCIETY

Jewish Oratorical Contest Announced, Open Until May 31

At the last meeting of the Menorah Society, Dr. Abram Simon of the Washington Hebrew Congregation, and recent president of the Board of Education of Washington, delivered an address on "The New Jew, Physically Speaking," emphasizing the fact that the Jew of the coming generations of America will be of a greater stature and stronger independence than have been the Jews of the past. As an example he mentioned the Hachonah soccer-football team of Vienna.

Israel J. Mendelson, the president of the Society, announced the Jewish Oratorical Contest that is being fostered by the Union of Synagogues of America. The topics for this contest are posted on the bulletin boards of the University, the last day of entry being May 31.

## NEWMAN CLUB MEETS

The thirty-fifth anniversary of Pope Leo's Encyclical on the Condition of Labor was commemorated at the regular monthly meeting of the Newman Club, Tuesday, May 4th, with an address by Rev. R. A. McGowan, Assistant Director of the Social Action Department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference. The labor encyclical of Pope Leo is the fundamental Catholic document on industrial relations.

## FILIPINO CLUB PROGRAM

The annual musical program of the Philipinians, an organization of Filipino students of George Washington University, was given in Corcoran Hall, Friday, May 7. The main speaker of the evening was the Honorable Marvin Jones, Congressman from Texas, who spoke on Filipino affairs. Musical numbers were given by a string "circle" of Filipino students.

## Hatchet Reviews of Current Shows

By JOE D. WALSTROM

### WHAT OF IT?

This week's doing of the National Theatre Players has to do with John Golden's production "Thank U." (Oh, that's all right. Don't mention it.) The moral of it is that small town preachers, priests, archbishops, clerics and sextons should get bigger salaries. And why not? The Rialto, the best theatre on 9th Street, offers "The Still Alarm," with William Russell and Helene Chadwick, also the usual extra features. Try as we would, we could not bribe anyone to go down and review it.

### PALACE

The bill at the Palace this week carries the kick of a gin fizz before breakfast for those who like both light and dark comedy. Bartender Beatus first sets out Richard Dick in "Let's Get Married," and then, after you have carefully polished the adjacent section of brass rail with your Queen Qualities, provides several excellent chasers in a Sennett slap-stick sonata, the Pathe News, a scenic, and Tom Gannon's superior strains.

The feature is similar to some of those purveyed by the late lamented Wally Reid; a light program comedy. Nothing need be said about the plot except that it provides Dix, as an all-wool American youth, with plenty of good opportunities to show that he can attract feminine patronage by other means than his jejune jaw. Surrounding the star are Lois Wilson, pert ole Edna May Oliver, Joseph Kilgour, and Rev. "Gunboat" Smith. The latter, celebrated canvas-kisser, reveals a mug almost as classic as Rear Admiral Bull Montana's.

### ROBACCIA.

### COLUMBIA

Seven o'clock Sunday evening found us at the doors of the Columbia with no one waiting outside to get in, to say nothing of quite a few comfortable seats on the first floor. (One rates orchestra seats when he gets in on a pass.)

The attraction, "The Blind Goddess," is far more worthy of the S. R. O. sign than some other films that stay over, but I guess the public knows what it wants. It has a good plot concerning the injustice of circumstantial evidence, and is played by a stellar cast, which includes Jack Holt, Ernest Torrence, Louise Dresser, and Esther Ralston. Come on, Public, let's give this little girl a great big hand. She's the most naturally beautiful girl the screen has produced for some time!

A rather sorry Mermaid comedy, Loew's Magazine and the newsreel completed the bill.

If there was an overture, we didn't get to hear it.

### ELBERT.

### METROPOLITAN

Our kissable, cute little Corinne Griffith is with us again at the Metropolitan, starring in "Mile. Modiste." She's a sweet little girl, and some-what of an actress, too, but they've done her wrong—dead wrong. The show in which she plays this week is not at all boring, but I have a secret conviction that she is capable of bigger and finer things. The plot of her present effort is the moss-grown one of the hero who misunderstands the relationship which exists between the girl of his dreams and a millionaire who gums things up a bit. The role of the hero is taken by Norman Kerry and that of the millionaire by Willard Louis. For all of that, it's a pleasant show and breathes the air of spring (tra-la).

The "Social Triangle," an O. Henry comedy, completed the film program. Daniel Breeskin offered an overture of Victor Herbert selections, and Gene Austin, the Victor artist who came to the rescue last week, is back again to cheer the weary with his songs—"Sweet Child," being particularly well done.

### BOB.

### CAMPUS CRITIQUES

The Troubadours' musical comedy, "Just a Kiss," was presented Thursday and Friday nights at the Jim Theatre, and if you didn't see it you missed one of the best amateur productions that has ever been given anywhere. To begin with, Jack Hutchings' music was absolutely fascinating, and it will be a high crime and misdemeanor if it is not published. The book and lyrics were indeed clever, and were a refreshing diversion from the ordinary musical comedy libretto. Annabelle Lloyd, whose picture adorns this page, and Ellsworth Tompkins, did very well in the leading roles, and Ben Cain, Jr., was splendid in his portrayal of the worldly-wise newspaper owner. Ruth Newburn, as the wild Irish rose, and Ruth Hutchinson, the love-lorn editress of the Dorothy Dix column, were likewise excellent, and Morris Larson was a true high-pressure bond salesman. Larry Parker, as the loony poet, was a composite of a knockout, a wow, a panic and a scream. The chorus girls danced quite well, taking all things into consideration, and looked stunning. The other attractions, such as the men's glee club and the two specialty dance acts, did their part towards making a delightful performance. As for the production staff and their assistants, words fail me in an attempt to compliment them. The entire company has worked unceasingly for many months, and has succeeded in setting a high mark for future organizations to shoot at. The orchestra was hot, and the smooth orchestration of the music is going to sound well on any dance floor.

Sterry Waterman, the producer, opines that it is too near examination



Courtesy of the Daily News.

### MISS ANNABELLE LLOYD of "Just a Kiss."

Allow us to present Miss Annabelle Lloyd, leading lady of "Just a Kiss," the musical comedy which was presented Thursday and Friday nights by the G. W. Troubadours.

time to give the show at a downtown theatre, but entertains hopes of reviving it in the fall. This possibility should not be overlooked, for there is no reason why it should not go over big. We hereby give it our blessing.

Friday night (I liked it so well I saw it twice) the Phi Delta Gamma cup was presented to the Troubadours for having the best production. It might be said that the comments by the judges concerning the various presentations were exceedingly well taken. Thus ends the Dramatic Festival, closing a year of earnest dramatic effort, with even greater prospects for the next year.

### JOE.

## FAULKNER PLACES IN ORATORICAL CONTEST

Curran of Catholic University is Zone Finalist With G. W. U. Man As Alternate

Edward Curran of Catholic University, with Robert N. Faulkner of George Washington University as alternate, will represent the District of Columbia in the zone finals of the National Intercollegiate Contest on "The Constitution."

This honor comes as a result of the district contest held in Corcoran Hall on the night of Friday, April 30, in which representatives from Georgetown, George Washington and Catholic University competed. Professor Arnold of George Washington presided.

On May 17th this district's representative will meet the orators from Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The contest will be held at Catholic University and the contestants are Clark Beach of Maryland, Thomas Drum of Pennsylvania, and Vaile Barnes of Princeton University. The winner of this contest will have his expenses paid to Los Angeles where the National Contest takes place on June 25, and will receive one of the seven national prizes which range from \$2,000 to \$300.

## CHI SIGMA GAMMA HOLDS FOUNDER'S DAY BANQUET

Two girls were initiated when Chi Sigma Gamma, women's chemical sorority, held its annual Founders' Day banquet, Friday night, April 30, at the Wisteria Cafe. They were Eleanor Folsom and Fofu Mezitis.

A program replete with pleasant surprises marked the annual celebration. The speakers of the evening were Prof. Hiram Colver McNeil, of the Chemistry Department, who spoke upon the Field of Chemistry for Women, and Miss Aida Doyle, assistant professor of chemistry, who talked upon Dyestuffs. Others on the program were the two initiates who delighted the lady chemists with theses upon Chewing Gum and Face Powder. Miss Marie O'Dea acted as toast-mistress.

## ASSOCIATION TO ELECT

The Dramatic Association of the University, which comprises the personnel of the four producing dramatic societies, the Mimes, the Players, the Dionysians, and the Troubadours, will hold its last regular meeting of the year tonight in Room 1, Corcoran Hall, at 8.15 o'clock. The principal business of the meeting will be the election of officers for the coming year. All members of the association are urged to be present.

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